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In re Application of:

Brian D. HOFF

Serial No.: To be assigned

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For: TENSION ADJUSTMENT
MECHANISM FOR A WORK
MACHINE

) Group Art Unit: Unassigned

) Examiner: Unassigned

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application
as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, please add the following new paragraph after the title of "TENSION
ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM FOR A WORK MACHINE":

The present application claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application Serial No.
60/342,370, filed December 27, 2001, entitled TENSION ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM
FOR A WORK MACHINE, with inventor of Brian D. Hoff, which is incorporated herein by
reference.

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